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AFRICA

AT THE AFTERNOON SESSION ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15
THE OBSERVER DELEGATE OF SWAPO TOOK THE FLOOR TO URGE
THE COMMISSION TO INTERVENE WITH THE SOUTH
AFRICAN GOVERNMENT WITH RESPECT TO THE PENDING APPEAL IN THE
SOUTH AFRICAN COURTS BY TWO NAMIBIANS, AARON MUSHIMBA
AND HENDRIK SHIKONGO, WHO WERE PREVIOUSLY SENTENCED
TO DEATH. THE SWAPO APPEAL WAS SUBSEQUENTLY SUPPORTED
BY THE DELEGATIONS OF NIGERIA AND SENEGAL, WHO
SUGGESTED THAT THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION MAKE A
FORMAL APPROACH TO ASK THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO
INTERVENE WITH THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT IN THE
CASE. ALL DELEGATIONS, INCLUDING THE US, SUBSEQUENTLY
VOICED THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE SWAPO SUGGESTION AND THE
COMMISSION DECIDED BY CONSENSUS TO SEND THE FOLLOWING
TELEGRAM TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL:

QTE. THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS, CONVENED
AT ITS THIRTY-THIRD SESSION, WAS INFORMED THAT
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AARON MUSHIMBA AND HENDRIK SHIKONGO ARE IN DANGER OF DEATH
IN THE TRIBUNALS OF SOUTH AFRICA WHICH IS ILLEGALLY
OCCUPYING NAMIBIA. THE COMMISSION REQUESTS THE
SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS TO USE WITH
URGENCY THE WAYS AND MEANS HE DEEMS MOST APPROPRIATE
TO SAVE THE LIVES OF THESE TWO PATRIOTS. UNQTE.
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